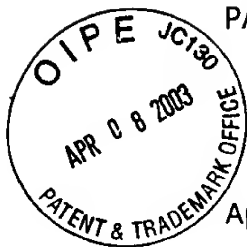


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CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 3 and ~~19-21~~ without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 4-6, 9, 18, 22-23 and 26 as follows.

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- 1 1. (Amended) A chewable flavor delivery system comprising in  
2 combination:  
3 a carrier consisting of an edible cellulosic plant material being 100%  
4 cabbage leaves prepared by one of, forming into strands or in granular form dried  
5 to a moisture content of at or below 8% by weight, said cabbage leaves having at  
6 least 30% intact cell walls;  
7 a water soluble but not water containing flavoring ingredient in liquid  
8 form and capable of entering intact cell walls of said cabbage leaves; and  
9 an effective amount of a food safe humectant.
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